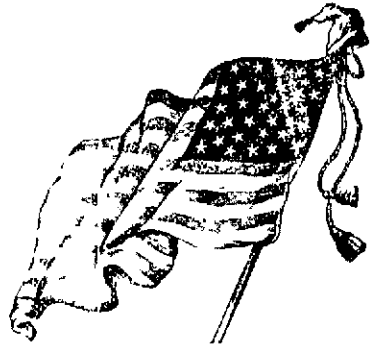


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At a First Class House.



J. F. RACE & Co.,

123 and 135 North Water St.,  
The Leading Clothiers and Gents'  
Furnishers in the City.

IN MEN'S, YOUTHS' AND BOYS'  
SUITS & OVERCOATS

Our assortment is simply unparalleled—  
every style of manufacture can be  
found in our stock.

SUITS from \$5.00 to \$35.00; OVERCOATS  
from \$3.00 to \$40.00; CHILDREN'S AND  
BOYS' SUITS from \$2.00 to \$16.00.

HATS.

We are not only Retailers but Jobbers of Hats  
and enjoy the facilities for close buying, which en-  
ables us to undersell any Hat house in the city.

FURNISHING GOODS.

We have the Largest and most Select Stock in  
the city, showing all the NEWEST DESIGNS  
and Novelties in Neckwear, Underwear, Hosiery,  
Handkerchiefs, Collars, Cuffs, etc.

MERCHANT TAILORS.

We lead them all in this line. Examine our  
stock of Piece Goods, consisting of SCOTCH  
SUITINGS, CLAY WORSTEDS, Montanac and  
Shell and Overcoatings.

J. R. RACE & CO.

WM YOUNG.

CHARL YOUNG.

YOUNG BROS.

HAVE OPENED THEIR

NEW MEAT MARKET.

North Side of Park,  
And are prepared to furnish the very best

Fresh and Cured Meats,  
LARD ETC.

GUNS! GUNS!

A JOB LOT OF SINGLE AND DOUBLE GUNS.

100 MUSKET SHOT GUNS,  
Former price, \$2—now only \$1.15.

120 MUSKET SHOT GUNS,  
Cut down—former price, \$2.50, now only \$1.60.

40 MUSKET SHOT GUNS,  
Forward action. Locks, Patent breech, Brass Mountings, former price,  
\$1.25—now only \$2.00.

35 MUZZLE-LOADING DOUBLE GUNS,  
Former prices ranging from \$7 to \$18—will now be sold from \$3.75 to \$10.

REMEMBER, when these are sold there will  
be no more at those prices.

85 DOZEN POCKET KNIVES,  
At less than HALF PRICE

300 DOG COLLARS,  
All styles and sizes, that will be sold the same as the above goods.

H. MUELLER & SONS,  
138 Merchant Street.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL,  
CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor,  
South Side of the Old Square, Decatur.

Gary's fine imported Merino hose, 25c  
up to 50c a pair, at R. Stine's.

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Gas Light & Coke Co.

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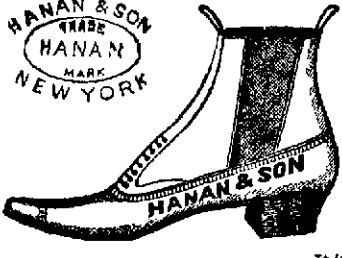
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TAR,

Coke Delivered to any part of the city  
on short notice.

GIVE IT A TRIAL.

R. J. STRATTON, Supr.



It is  
certain that  
"The HANAN" shoe  
will prove satisfactory to  
every gentleman who wants a  
perfect article. We are putting into  
the manufacture of these shoes, the results of 20  
years' experience and study, of what will  
please, give comfort and wear  
faithfully. Try them.  
Every first-class  
dealer has them.

FOR SALE BY  
POWERS & HAWORTH.

GET A HOME.

THE SECOND SERIES OF THE  
LOAN AND HOMESTEAD  
ASSOCIATION,

of Decatur, Ill., is now open to subscribers.  
Monthly installments of 10 cents and up-  
wards will draw interest at the rate of 5 per  
cent per annum, stock and interest subject to  
withdrawal at the pleasure of the holder, under  
the rules and regulations of the society.  
Loans made to stockholders monthly.  
OFFICE—At No. 145 N. Water street, over  
New York Store.  
JOHN T. BARNET, Pres't.  
R. McGOUGH, Secretary.

SPECIAL BARGAINS

—AT THE DECATUR—

New Carpet Factory

FOR RAG AND CHAIN CARPETS.

I can show a finer display of home made  
carpets at my salesroom than can be seen in  
Central Illinois.  
Carpets made to order at short notice and  
the price charged will be in proportion to  
amount of chain used.  
Rugs taken in exchange for carpets.  
Please call and see for yourself.  
O. A. WESTHAFFER,  
199 Old Square—Rothfuss Block.  
Sept 29—d4w17

GOLD

Fields are scarce, but those who write to  
me for a copy of my book, "How to find gold  
in Illinois," will receive it free. I will also  
send them a list of the best places to dig for  
gold in this State. Send me 10c for the book  
and I will send you the list. No charge for  
the list. Write to me at once.  
J. H. BARNETT, 100 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

Karaka Springs.

The "Frisco Line" through Pullman  
Palace Sleepers are run daily between  
St. Louis and Eureka Springs, Arkansas,  
without change.

The completion and opening of the  
new hotel, The Crescent, at Eureka  
Springs, has necessitated the estab-  
lishment of a through line of Pullman  
Sleeping Cars daily, between St. Louis  
and Eureka Springs.

This famous health and pleasure resort  
has no equal in the western country. Only  
fifteen hours' ride from St. Louis, and  
far cheaper than to any other great re-  
sort.

For health or pleasure you can not do  
better than to visit Eureka Springs, Ark.  
For full particulars, with maps, time  
tables, illustrated pamphlets, etc., of these  
springs, call upon your nearest railroad  
agent, or at this office, or address George  
Lower, traveling land agent, 252 North  
Water street, Decatur, Ill. oct9-dif

FABRICS

Wanting pure crystal ice,  
delivered promptly at their door, should  
give their orders to D. A. Mathis. His  
telephone is 100. Prompt attention to  
business. April-14

Wait.

It will pay you to see the elegant dis-  
play of fine trimmed goods at Mrs. Mo-  
Donald's Winter Clothing, Nov. 24 and  
25. Folite salesladies will take pleasure  
in showing goods. 25 ct

The Champion and Myers Force  
Pumps are the best force pumps made.  
For sale by Spencer, Lehman & Co.  
Feb 17-d4w17

If you want the handsomest and best  
hard coal base burner ever made, buy the  
Regal Peniculator.

Don't buy an Overcoat before you see  
the immense stock at B. Stine's. We  
will save you some money. d4w

New Carpets.

Miraculous Escape.  
New Carpets, of the very latest pro-  
ductions in Brussels, Velvets and In-  
grains, just received at  
Linn & Scarce.

New styles, largest variety and lowest  
prices, buyers will now find at Wingate's  
Lamp Store, Central Block, Merchant  
street. sept9-d4w17

For SALE—by Spencer, Lehman & Co.,  
the old reliable Peter Shuttler Wagon.  
July 21-d4w17

FLUSH COATS.

Superior fast dye FLUSH COATS  
that cannot be equaled for beauty and  
cheapness. Don't buy until you look at  
them. Linn & Scarce.  
sept9-d4w17

HOUSE OWNERSHIP.

The Moral and Social Influence of the  
Philadelphia, as the greatest work-  
shop of America, furnishes a striking  
illustration in point. Its comparative  
exemption from strikes is due to the  
fact that, as a rule, the working-man  
there owns his home. Hence, he is as  
conservative as the capitalist. You  
may find scores of squares with nice  
brick houses of working-men, not one  
of which is a tenement house. Phila-  
delphia now has double the number of  
dwelling houses of any other city of its  
size in the world. This marvelous in-  
crease in its homesteads is due to its  
co-operative building associations—  
numbering over four hundred. They  
have been tried for nearly fifty years,  
and have proved such valuable forces  
for promoting industry, economy, so-  
ciety, thrift and prosperity that the  
State encourages them by exempting  
all their stock and mortgages from tax-  
ation. Though the holdings of these  
associations exceed \$50,000,000, they  
are managed by working-men at little  
expense, and are always open to pub-  
lic scrutiny. Failures have been very  
rare, less than in any other class of  
financial associations. The worst of  
those closed during the panic of 1873  
paid ninety-three cents on the dollar.  
These associations, unique, tried and  
so successful, are a model for the  
working-men of the country, certainly  
in large manufacturing centers.

That I may speak authoritatively, I  
will quote certain statements kindly  
furnished by an eminent Philadelphi-  
an, specially conversant with the  
subject, who says: The tenement house  
is unknown here. In the riots of  
1877 the twenty thousand mem-  
bers of building associations acted  
as an efficient counterpoise to the  
lawless throngs that crowded the  
streets. This instinct of self-preserva-  
tion, of social order, was as strong  
with them as with the wealthier classes  
and was even more effectual. It neu-  
tralized, in their own camp, the clam-  
ors of a vicious and riotous rabble, so  
that the presence of the mayor and the  
police was sufficient to quell all disor-  
der without collision. These associa-  
tions have been a potent factor in mak-  
ing our people prosperous and moral,  
encouraging sobriety and preventing  
dissipation. The absence of any dan-  
gerous tendencies can undoubtedly be  
traced to the general ownership of  
homes.

In Switzerland, out of 455,000 house-  
holds 465,000 are householders. Here  
is one secret of the remarkable patrio-  
tism and prosperity of that people, and  
of their comparative exemption from  
labor troubles. Their excellent pub-  
lic schools and twenty-nine industrial  
schools, all topped up by their grand  
polytechnic institute at Zurich, includ-  
ing the same practical work as that of  
this Worcester Industrial Institute, have  
wonderfully united the home owning  
and home loving people of these twenty-  
five cantons. Though separate in race,  
religion and language, they are one in  
natural instinct, proud of their history  
and plowder still of their recent pro-  
gress and manufacturing prosperity.  
They are an ingenious and industrious  
people, and their mechanics are educa-  
ted and skillful, believing in the dignity  
of labor and the thorough mastery of  
some trade. Though hemmed in by  
mountains, without a seaport, with few  
minerals and no coal, with costly trans-  
portation, all freight from the seaboard  
coming over foreign territory, Switzer-  
land threatens the ribbon trade of Cov-  
entry, rivals the English and French in  
muslin and delaine, and the world in  
watches, music boxes and wood carv-  
ing.—Age of Steel.

Anecdote of Frederick the Great.

The Berlin Boersen-Courier has ex-  
amined this amusing anecdote of Frede-  
rick the Great: One autumn day he  
was reviewing the annual provincial  
maneuvers, and as the king would have  
it, every thing seemed to go wrong.  
Finally one division of the Hussars  
made such a bad blunder that the king  
could no longer control his wrath, but  
spurred his horse, raised his cane in the  
air, and galloped after the Captain.  
The latter, not being aware of the king's  
weight of the king's cane on his  
shoulders, also spurred his horse, and  
after a long chase succeeded in escap-  
ing. Next day the General called  
upon the king and among other things  
announced his regret that Captain So-  
and-so had sent in his resignation; he  
did not know why, he said, but the  
Captain had told him something had  
happened which made it impossible for  
him to remain. "If I am wrong to lose  
him," the General added. "He is one  
of our best officers." "Indeed!" said  
the king; "then tell him to come to me  
during the parade." When the king  
espied the Captain at the parade he  
rode up to him and remarked: "I  
have promoted you as a Major. I  
wanted to tell you yesterday, but you  
were too fast for me."

A Foolish Undertaking.

Away out on the Pacific coast a poor,  
weak man sought to disprove the al-  
legation that women by choice always  
sit down on the floor or ground to put  
on or off shoes and stockings. He  
placed some benches on the beach,  
where a number of young ladies were  
in the habit of occasionally going to  
wade in the water. They came and  
gleefully took possession of the ben-  
ches, but when they made up their  
minds that they wanted to wade, down  
they all sat on the ground to unlace  
their shoes. Next day this poor, weak  
man had his servant spread broken  
glass, oyster shells, etc., on the beach,  
and then waited to see the girls at  
midday. In six months' time  
the stuff until they had room enough  
to sit down. Then he went away and  
marveled.—N. Y. Sun.

The clothing of a mill-hand in  
Three Rivers, Ont., was caught in a  
revolving shaft, and he was carried  
around with it until every particle of  
clothing was torn from his body, and  
dropped to the floor, a distance of ten  
feet or so. Although the space be-  
tween the beams where the shaft re-  
volved was only about two and a half  
feet wide, he escaped almost unhurt.

Miraculous Escape.

W. W. Reed, druggist, of Winchester  
Ind., writes: "One of my customers, Mrs.  
Louisa Fike, Bartonia, Indiana, Co.,  
Ind., was long suffering with Consump-  
tion, and was given up to die by her phy-  
sicians. She heard of Dr. King's New  
Discovery for Consumption, and began  
taking it of me. In six months' time  
she walked to a distance of six  
miles, and is now so much improved she  
has quit using it." Free Trial. Bottles at Swen-  
sen & Hubbard's Drug Store. 25

LADIES' MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S WINTER

Shoes, Rubber Boots and Slippers, cheap,  
at Baehner & Huth's, the leaders.  
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REASONS.

There are forty reasons why men  
dress well, some of them decidedly cu-  
rious should they be probed.

Expediency of odd sorts, serves to ac-  
complish certain ends and the like.

Most men, we trust, rise to the higher  
plane of neatness and good taste. A well  
bred man pleases himself and enjoys  
a satisfaction in knowing he attracts no  
attention by too little dress or too much.  
In our very full supply of NEW FALL  
BUSINESS SUITS, DRESS SUITS, FALL  
OVERCOATS, BOYS' and CHILDREN'S  
SUITS, you will find the happy medium,  
that every gentleman of good taste and  
every mother of refinement, who wishes  
to see her boys well dressed, enjoys.

In answer to the enquiry so often asked,  
WHERE CAN I DO THE BEST? we  
would say, and prove it if necessary, that  
every dollar's worth of goods that is  
delivered to us, after being examined and  
found correct, is paid for, SPOT CASH.  
This, and a twenty years' experience in  
our business, knowing how to buy, where  
to buy, offsets any argument that has  
been and may be made by any of our  
competitors, as to their offering extraor-  
dinary bargains without any good reason  
on their part as to their superior ability,  
financially or otherwise, to procure them.

The Reliable Clothier and Gents' Fur-  
nisher,

B. STINE.

CHILDREN'S CLOAKS

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BRADLEY BROS.

New York Store,

TO-DAY

We place on sale a very handsome line of  
Imported

CLOAKS!

For Children's and Misses' wear containing  
MANY NOBBY NEW STYLES not  
shown elsewhere in the city.

BOUCLE CLOTH CLOAKS  
In Blue, Brown, Cardinal and  
Havana, from 4 to 16 years.  
Price from \$2.50 to \$5 each.

BOUCLE CLOTH CLOAKS,  
with Plaided Skirts and Silk-  
Lined Hoods, from 6 to 18 years,  
at \$5.50 to \$9.00 each.

BOUCLE AND SERGE CLOTH HAVE-  
LOCKS, all Colors and sizes,  
From \$3.50 to \$6.75.

A SPECIAL BARGAIN.

About 50 odd garments for Misses' and Chil-  
dren's wear, consisting of CLOAKS NEW  
MARKETS and HAVELOCKS, at \$2.50, \$3.00,  
\$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50.

BRADLEY BROTHERS'

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75 DOZEN

—OF FINE—

Percale Shirts

—ON SALE AT—

CHEAP CHARLEY'S

At a Price.

ARMOUR & CO.,  
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Delicious  
Flavor  
No pains  
spared to  
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the  
BEST  
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People of  
COURAGE  
LASTES  
are highly  
praised  
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If your Grocer or Marketman does not keep  
them, send direct to Armour & Co., Chicago  
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BOYNTON CO'S

CELEBRATED POWERFUL  
SUCCESS,  
GIANT,  
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FURNACES

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IMITATIONS  
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LARGEST VARIETY WITH LATEST SCIENTIFIC  
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MANUFACTURERS,  
84 Lake Street, Chicago.

FOR SALE BY  
FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT  
DECATUR, ILL.  
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W. W. SHOOK, the contracting car-  
penter, is ready for business and will  
make figures on application. He will  
also put in patent window screens when  
desired, and guarantee satisfaction.  
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Navies excelled and never equaled—  
the old reliable Peter Shuttler Wagon  
Sold by Spencer Lehman & Co.  
July 21—d4w17

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one execution to me directed  
and delivered by the clerk of the Circuit Court  
of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of John  
W. Hootch and against John B. Poutier, I have  
levied upon the following described property,  
to-wit: Lots Number Five, Six and Seven of  
Block Number One, Addition to the Village of  
Zion in Macon county and state of Illinois,  
taken as the property of the said John B.  
Poutier, which I shall offer at public sale at  
the west door of the Court House in the city  
of Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on  
the 6th day of November, A. D. 1886, at the  
hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day, for cash  
in full to satisfy said execution.  
This 6th day of October, A. D. 1886.  
W. W. FOSTER,  
Sherrif Macon County, Illinois.

SEALED BIDS.

Public Notice is hereby given, that the con-  
tract for the improvement of West Main Street  
from the east line of the Old Square east to  
the west line of Water street, by grading,  
and a new guttering and paving with mac-  
adam, to the plans and specifications of  
the City Council on the 4th day of October,  
1886, will be let to the lowest responsible bid-  
der, and that said bid will be received at  
the office of the City Clerk in Decatur, Ill., at  
the 1st day of November, A. D. 1886, at  
the hour and for the material of said improve-  
ment, and for the entire improvement includ-  
ing labor and materials. All bids when re-  
ceived will be submitted to the City Clerk  
for its action.  
G. C. DITZLER, City Clerk.  
Decatur, Ill., Oct 14, 1886—d4w

\$1.45 PER 100

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WRAPPING PAPER.

—ALSO—  
RAG WRAPPING PAPER  
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Send your orders to  
M. J. COHEN & CO.,  
621 N. Main St., Decatur, Ill.  
Telephone 21. Rag Warehouse.

Also paying highest market price for Scrap  
from Rags, Rubbers, etc. (also all kinds) Mail  
orders receive prompt attention.  
Sept. 26 d4w17

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S  
SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS,  
MACON COUNTY,  
In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chan-  
cery.

The Board of School Trustees of Township  
Sixteen, Range Two East of 3d P. M. vs.  
Samuel Corbett and Isaac Corbett—Defen-  
dants. No 11,185.

Public notice is hereby given, that, in pur-  
suance of a decree entered at the "Vay Term"  
of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the  
above cause, it is ordered, that the said  
Samuel Corbett and Isaac Corbett, do appear  
before the court on the 30th day of November,  
A. D. 1886, at the Court House, in said  
Macon county, to sell at public vendue to the  
highest and best bidder, the following de-  
scribed real estate, lying and being in the  
county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit: The  
north half of the southwest quarter of the  
northwest quarter, and the southwest quarter  
of the southeast quarter of the northwest  
quarter, all in section No. thirty-six in Town-  
ship Sixteen, Range Two East of 3d P. M.

Terms of SALE—Cash. Said land is sold  
subject to redemption.  
Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 6th day of  
October, A. D. 1886.

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penter, is ready for business and will  
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also put in patent window screens when  
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Wm are prepared to do all kinds of re-  
pairing in the machinery shop.  
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